पोस्टस'' शीर्षक से छपे समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि गत कुछ महीनों में केन्द्रीय सेवाओं के अंतर्गत संयुक्त सचिवों के लगभग 70 नए पद सृजित किए गए हैं;

(ग) यदि हां, तो जनवरी, 1993 तक ऐसी कितनी नियुक्तियां की गईं;

(घ) क्या यह भी सच है कि इसके परिणामस्वरूप प्रशासनिक व्यय में वृद्धि होगी; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो कितनी ?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री का अतिरिक्त भार (श्रीमती मारग्रेट आल्वा) : (क) और (ख) जी, हां ।

(ग) से (ङ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Identification of some specified backward Districts for development activities

1310. SHRIMATI KAMALA SINHA : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have identified some specified backward districts for developmental activities; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government and the various financial institutions to reduce disparities in assistance ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) and (b) Responsibility for identification of backward districts/areas and their development rests primarily with the concerned State Government. Most of the State Governments have identified such backward areas/districts. Schemes drawn up by them for development of these areas include incentives like capital investment subsidy, deferment/exemption of sale tax, subsidy for purchase of generating set etc.

The Central Government helps the State Government through the mechanism of transfer of resources under modified formula previously known as 'Gadgil Formula', under Special Area Programmes, and devolution of non-Plan resources by the Finance Commission.

Finance institutions like IDBI, IFCI & ICICI have some schemes of incentives comprising concessional rate of interest and underwriting commission, lower promoters' contribution and concession in commitment charges for backward districts.

NDC Committee on Medical Education in the country

1311. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the sub-committee set up by the NDC on medical education in the country has submitted its report;

(b) if so, the details of the recommendations made by it; if not the reasons therefor and by when it is likely to be submitted; and

(c) the composition of the committee and the number of times it has met, so far ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) No, Sir.